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FOURTH MONTH VERDUN BATTLE

LONGEST AND MOST BITTERLY
CONTESTED STRUGGLE OF THE
EUROPEAN WAR.

AT DEADMAN'S HILL

Germans Continue Their Assaults on
This Hill Where Bloodiest Conflicts
of Past Few Months Have Occurred
—Austrians Make Gains.

Intense fighting is progressing in the Deadman's Hill region northwest of Verdun. The Germans are battling desperately to break down the French defenses. Paris claims a repulse of these renewed attacks by the Germans, also claims the capture last night of several block houses in Avancourt wood, southwest of the hill, and the baffling of the German attempt to recapture Haudremont quarry.

The Austrians are reported to have withdrawn 50,000 troops from Albania for an offensive against the Italians. Fourth Week at Verdun.

Paris, May 22.—The battle of Verdun, the longest and most bitterly contested struggle of the war, entered its fourth month at noon today.

The Germans are continuing their assault on Deadman's Hill where the bloodiest conflicts of the last three months have occurred.

Austrians Gain Position.
Berlin, May 22.—The Austro-Hungarian troops have carried the peak on Armentara Ridge, the scene of some of the heaviest fighting along the southern Tyrol front, according to Austrian officials. The Austrians captured more than three thousand Italians Saturday and occupied several villages, taking twenty-five cannon and eight machine guns.

Austrians Transfer Troops.
Paris, May 22.—The Austrians have withdrawn 50,000 troops from Albania during the last three weeks, according to a neutral diplomat in an Athens dispatch, who says that only small detachments were left to guard the towns occupied, the remaining troops concentrating at Durazzo. The abandonment of the Albanian front is said to be due to the impossibility of their getting supplies.

Tribesmen Defeat British.
Berlin, May 22.—The defeat of British forces by rebellious tribesmen in the province of Darfur, in Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, is reported from Constantinople.

Italian Aviator Injured.
Rome, May 22.—Lieut. Morrone, son of the Italian minister of war, was dangerously wounded during the Austrian offensive.

MAY END RATE CASE

Commission Will Fix a Rate of 2½ Cents; Roads Will Accept.
Oklahoma City, May 21.—Conference between state officers since the recess in federal court in the rate cases have led to a general understanding that an attempt will be made to place a 2½c rate in force by order of the corporation commission, and thus end the rate litigation. The Missouri, Kansas & Texas offered to accept a rate of 2 1/6c two weeks ago. It is thought this line will accept the lower rate, and that others will follow. Anxiety of the Katy for settlement of the case has revived the old rumor that the Katy is to be acquired by the New York Central on reorganization.

WEATHER FORECAST

New Orleans, La., May 22.
—The weather forecast for
Oklahoma for tonight and
Tuesday is fair.

Wortham Held Under \$10,000 Bond.

Muskogee, Okla., May 21. — Bob Wortham, arrested recently on the charge of being implicated in robbing the Farmers' National bank of Fort Gibson on Nov. 29 last, was given a preliminary hearing before Justice Matt Thompson today and bound over to the district court under \$10,000 bond. He failed to give bail. Wortham was convicted of robbing the Katy train at Wirth three years ago, sentenced to two years and his case is now pending in the United States court of appeals.

SWEDEN HEARS NAVAL BATTLE IN BALTIC

**VIOLENT CANNONADING HEARD
LAST NIGHT, THOUGHT GERMAN
AND RUSSIAN FLEETS MET.**

London, May 22.—Reports from Kalmar, Sweden, say that violent cannonading was heard last night, and it is believed that a sea battle was in progress in the Baltic between German and Russian warships.

Sunk by Russian Subs.

London, May 22.—A Copenhagen dispatch says that the German steamship Worms is believed to have been sunk by Russian submarines, also that the Swedish steamship Rosalind struck a mine near Stockholm last night and was sunk. The crew was saved.

LAND EXPEDITION A SUCCESS

**Member of Arctic Party Has Returned
from Trip to Far North.**

London, May 22.—A member of the American Arctic Crocker land expedition, Professor Maurice Tanquary, of Chicago, arrived today from Greenland. He reports good scientific results by the expedition.

Death of F. N. White.

F. N. White, aged 83 years, died at the home of his son, Joe White, in northeast Ardmore Saturday night. The funeral services will be conducted from the residence this afternoon at two o'clock by Rev. Burns of the First Christian church, with interment in Rose Hill cemetery. The services at the grave will be conducted by the Masons, of which deceased was a member. Mr. White was a resident of Paris, Texas, for many years, but has been making his home here with his two sons, Joe and Ben, for some time.

STATE FIREMEN MEET

**Local Firemen Leave for Convention.
Meet at Cushing Tomorrow.**

Chief of the Fire Department Reeder, Delegate McFall and Commissioner London left today for Cushing, where they go to attend the annual convention of the State Firemen's association.

A few years ago the convention was held in this city and attracted many visitors. It was the intention of the local delegation to invite the convention to come to this city next year, but Chief Reeder stated this morning that after consulting with the Business Men's association, in view of the fact that there were many other things in contemplation for another year, and as it would require at least a thousand dollars to entertain the visitors, this amount would have to be raised among the business men, and it seemed an imposition to ask them to donate this money. For that reason, Ardmore will not be mentioned as the next place of meeting of the association. The annual convention begins at Cushing tomorrow morning, and the local delegation will arrive in time for the opening.

Dr. Howard S. Cox of this city left yesterday morning for Kemp City, and will take charge of the business affairs of his brother. The latter and his wife were among the victims of the cyclone which destroyed Kemp City Saturday night. E. E. Cox and wife were among the first victims of the storm. Their little daughter is reported painfully hurt.

JUDGE FREEMAN WAS ASSAULTED LAST SATURDAY

**MASS MEETING GROWING OUT
OF THE SENSATION WILL BE
HELD AT BIG TABERNACLE TO-
NIGHT.**

Ardmore had a sensation thrust upon it Saturday afternoon when Bud Ballew, a deputy sheriff, slapped the face of Judge W. F. Freeman in front of the Felter grocery store on Main street. The judge did not resent the blows. The deputy slapped his face and the judge's hat fell to the sidewalk. He stooped and picked it up, and as he arose Mr. Ballew, it is reported, slapped his face again.

Neither of the parties to the trouble has been interviewed by this paper, but the causes which led up to the assault grew out of the court of inquiry which the court has been holding. The court seems to have been of the opinion that Deputy Ballew was either interested in a road house located two miles west of Lone Grove, or was giving protection to the persons operating it. The deputy resented the charge against him and became impatient after several weeks of worry over it.

Judge Freeman has been holding courts of inquiry for several months and at one time he published a notice in The Ardmoreite giving the history of a certain case that was in his court. No reply was made by the persons on the other side of the controversy at that time.

There promises to be another chapter of the sensation tonight at the tabernacle where Dr. M. E. Williams has been holding a series of union meetings. A call has been made for a mass meeting of both men and women to begin at 7:15 tonight in the tabernacle and the subject for discussion at this meeting will be the efforts made by Judge Freeman to rid the county of the liquor evil and also the assault that was made upon him by the deputy sheriff. The prospects are that a vast number will be present at the meeting. The notice which came to The Ardmoreite calling the meeting indicates that it was called in the belief that Judge Freeman is doing his part in the attempt to enforce the law and that the officer who assaulted him was in the wrong.

The affair will enter largely into the campaign this summer in the county and much interest will be manifested in the discussion until it is finally ironed out, and all is peace again.

SENT ANOTHER PROTEST TO THE BRITISH

**FURTHER PROTEST AGAINST IN-
TERFERENCE WITH UNITED
STATES MAILS TO BE SENT TO
ENGLAND.**

Washington, May 22.—A new note to Great Britain protesting further against interference with American mails was laid before President Wilson today and probably will be sent to London tomorrow. The general terms of the note were framed at the state department, but the president is including some of his own language.

TEN YEARS FOR LYNCH

**American Implicated in Irish Rebellion
Given Ten-Year Sentence.**

London, May 22.—The American embassy was today officially advised to report the ten-year-prison sentence of Jeremiah C. Lynch, the American charged with participating in the rebellion. He was originally sentenced to death.

TABERNACLE SERVICES ARE NOW CLOSED

**FAREWELL SERMON LAST NIGHT
WAS LISTENED TO BY AN IM-
MENSE CROWD WHICH PACKED
THE BUILDING.**

The Williams tabernacle meetings closed Sunday night. All day Sunday was tense with cumulative interest. The storm rained us out Saturday night, except a few dozen people. By Sunday morning the sky had cleared with a most beautiful Oklahoma day. Many hundreds wended their way to the place of worship at an early hour. With no particular flourish of trumpets the people made a generous free will offering to Dr. Williams as a token of appreciation for his splendid work in our midst for the last five weeks. He came to us without any guarantee of a stipulated amount. It was agreed that on the last day of the campaign we would give him the entire offerings made at the three services. But of his own accord, and most generously, Dr. Williams said he would accept only the Sunday morning offering. It is characteristic of all Dr. Williams' meetings always and everywhere that he leaves a most delightful spirit behind him. The many interruptions and the bad weather had interfered greatly with the collections for current expenses. Dr. Williams did not want to have any such troublesome amounts left behind him, which explains his generous proposition.

Dr. Welch made a statement, after Dr. Williams had retired and before the offering was made, concerning certain rumors that had been set afloat about our evangelist since his coming to our city. These, he said, had been run down and traced to their source, and had been laid before Dr. Williams. He said "Dr. Cooper and myself have gone to headquarters and come before you with authority, with first-hand information and we declare unto you that any and all remarks from any source which in any way reflect upon the character of Dr. Williams as a man, a gentleman, a Christian, and a minister of the gospel while in our city and as the guest of all our churches, are utterly false, malicious and of the devil in every particular." You ought to have heard that congregation cheer. They shouted amen, clapped their hands, shouted approvals, they rose in mass and continued their vociferous demonstrations. A similar attack was made on Dr. Ballew while he was here and continued after he was gone. Ardmore gives such people to understand, now, here, and forever after, that reputable men of God who have come to bless our city cannot be successfully attacked. Notice is hereby served on them that their absence is more welcome than their presence, and they need not stay on the order of their going.

Dr. Williams' morning address, much shorter than usual, was on the Eternal Love Story from John 3:16. It was a beautiful discussion of the "Old, Old Story," of which no report can be made here. The amount of the free will offering made to Dr. Williams will be announced later.

Sunday night the great tabernacle was packed and jammed with humanity. People were awake to the fact that an unusual man had been in our midst. His resourcefulness is most remarkable in every way. He had delivered a great address at the high school in the afternoon and was ready for the great closing effort of our meetings. He rose to our highest expectations. After a few preliminaries and a special offering for current expenses, he began his sermon on Hebs. 3:15 "The Hardening of the Heart," or the "Unpardonable Sin," was his topic. He preached with tremendous power and carried his great audience with him. The Spirit of God came mightily upon the people. There were more than thirty inquiries forward for prayers, and most of these were adults, and some heads of families. The meeting held till nearly eleven o'clock, and the people seemed loath to depart.

The series of meetings has been peculiar in many ways, in interruptions

in the ebb and flow of interest. But an immense amount of good has been done not only in our own city, but in the towns surrounding Ardmore. Dr. Williams has won for himself a large and lasting place in the hearts of the best people of Ardmore who are intensely loyal to him, and he will always find a cordial welcome when he can return to see us again. He will tarry for a day or so before leaving for his home in Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Bray have also won many friends in our midst and carry away with them our best wishes for them and their work.

BUD BALLEW HAS RESIGNED FROM OFFICE

**DEPUTY SHERIFF PHONED IN HIS
RESIGNATION BEFORE HE HAD
SEEN SHERIFF GARRETT AFTER
ASSAULT.**

Immediately following the trouble Saturday afternoon, in which Bud Ballew slapped the face of District Judge W. F. Freeman, Mr. Ballew went to the city police station and made bond for his appearance Monday, to answer to the charge of disturbing the peace, and then before he had seen Sheriff Garrett he telephoned in his resignation. In other words he "beat the sheriff to it" and gave up his office as deputy. Mr. Ballew probably knew full well that he would not be permitted to remain on the force, as he knows Sheriff Garrett mighty well, and he did not run the risk of being asked to resign, but hastened in his resignation over the phone before the sheriff demanded it.

Bud Ballew stated yesterday that he was never accused of dealing in liquor or ever having anything to do with it until he was sworn in as a deputy sheriff. Following his taking the oath of office insinuations and charges have been made until he completely lost his patience and let his temper lead him to do what he should not have done.

Bud Ballew is a good business man, and it was at a financial sacrifice that he entered the service of the county. He has done much work in the oil fields, and has entered places there at times when an older head would not have gone. Oil fields, like mining camps, are hard to control, but the reputation of Sheriff Garrett and his men has kept many of the toughest men out of the field who are in the habit of going from one field to another.

BIG CONTEST HIGH SCHOOL ON TONIGHT

**REPRESENTATIVES OF THE TWO
SCHOOL FRATERNITIES HOLD
ANNUAL CONTEST IN MUSIC,
SONG AND READING.**

There will be a very interesting contest at the High school auditorium tonight and every friend of the schools who can should be in attendance. The contest is an annual event, and is between the Pierians on one side and the Philomatheans on the other—the two school fraternities. Following are the contestants:

Piano: Pierians, Lucile Butler; Philomatheans, Charlie Granburg.
Voice: Pierians, Vida Booth; Philomatheans, Crete Stewart.
Violin: Pierians, William Ringer; Philomatheans, Lucile Kahn.
Oratory: Pierians, Rowland Kennedy; Philomatheans, John Thompson.
Dramatic Reading: Pierians, Mildred Galt; Philomatheans, Alice Brown.

Nearly everybody reads The Ardmoreite. Do you?

SIBLEY'S TROOPS AT BOQUILLAS

**DETACHMENT ARRIVED HERE
SUNDAY — PREVIOUS REPORTS
CONTRADICTORY.**

MINES ARE LOOTED

**American and Other Foreign Owned
Mines at Cuatro Ciénegas Looted
by Bandits on May Fifteenth—Wash-
ington Awaits Carranza Note.**

Marathon, Tex., May 22.—Sibley's detachment arrived at Boquillas yesterday. He had previously been reported as having turned back to join Langhorne, whose command was reported in close proximity to the Yaqui band of Indians.

Mining Property Looted.

El Paso, Tex., May 22.—The American and other foreign owned mining properties at Cuatro Ciénegas were looted by Mexican bandits on May 15, according to reliable report.

Awaiting Carranza Note.

Washington, D. C., May 22.—The state department was advised today that the new Carranza note will arrive in Washington today or tomorrow. Its contents is not known. The belief is expressed that the note dealt with the Glenn Springs-Boquillas raid.

MEXICANS NOW EXCHANGE GOLD FOR CURRENCY

**THREE MEXICAN STATES SEND
SIXTY-TWO MILLION DOLLARS
IN GOLD TO NATIONAL TREAS-
URY FOR EXCHANGE.**

Galveston, Texas, May 22.—The Mexican states of Hidalgo, Quanaa, Juato and Zacatecas have sent sixty-six million dollars in gold to the national treasury for exchange into new national currency.

The money was collected in taxes, chiefly from mining concessions, according to the consulate here, who says that Governor Calles of Sonora, was allowed one million dollars for educational purposes.

ARDMORE GIRL GRADUATES.

**Miss Mynan Blois Has Completed
Course in Marietta Schools.**

Miss Mynan Blois of Marietta visited Sunday with her aunt and left today for Marietta, where she will graduate tonight from the High school of that city. Immediately after her graduation, she will leave for Central State Normal at Edmond, where she will take a course in pedagogy and will teach in Carter or Love county this winter.

City Superintendent C. W. Richards has gone to Marietta to deliver the literary address to the Marietta class tonight. He was in Tishomingo last Monday night for the same purpose, and was in Mannsville last Friday night. He is getting more calls than he can fill.

Here from Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Jones are here from Phoenix, Ariz., and will remain here visiting with relatives for several weeks. They purchased a round trip ticket, but it is good for nine months, and they may spend the most of that time here. Mr. Jones owns an interest in four brick buildings on West Main street, west of the Randol hotel, and he owns the lot where the big tabernacle has been built. He was formerly in the mercantile business here.

Mr. Jones says Ardmore is busier now than he ever saw it before, but that the old days here were busy days, and everybody made money.